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MEMORANDUM

TO: Files January 7, 1983

FROM: John Miley

SUBJECT: U-a/U-b Tract Inspection

<u>Personnel Present:</u>	Bob Hobbs	WRSOC	Don Johnson	OSO
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Primary Purpose of Inspection: Mining

Activities:

Development work of the decline continued to the 280' station. The following alterations had been made to the mining machine: 1) The cutting head boom was lowered and shortened to provide better loadout from the machine, 2) a canopy was installed over the operator position and a counterweight was installed to the rear of the machine to provide better balance, and 3) a hood having a battery powered fan blowing air through a filter system was provided the operator to control inhalation of dust.

Monitoring for methane is a continuing process. Twice each shift readings are made for methane in the mine atmosphere and records are kept.

The safety collar of the vent raise had been concreted and the raise had been stripped to 16' diameter about 40' down. Rock bolts and wire mesh were being installed to the bottom. Shot-crete will be applied from the bottom to the collar when stripping is completed.

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